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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In order to clean dog paws, the dog is placed on a perforated intermediate bottom located inside a tub-like basin, and the basin is filled with water to a level higher than the intermediate bottom until the paws are submerged. Air is injected, preferably in a lateral and/or downward manner, out of a first branch of an air supply system into the water by a blower, said branch being located underneath the intermediate bottom. The air is distributed in the water and the pressure thereof is sufficient for removing dirt adhering to the paws by bubbling and without spraying. After a cleaning phase, the pressure of the compressed air is maintained in the first branch, as long as it is immersed in the water, at a level sufficient for preventing dirt from entering the air outflow openings. During a drying phase, a second branch of the air supply system is supplied with air, said second branch being provided with at least one outlet opening for drying air.